

Family Homelessness Initiative

Family Homelessness Initiative Advisory Group August 4, 2014

5 Key System Changes

- Coordinate Entry and Assessment
- Move Families Quickly to Stable Housing
- Focus Support Services on Housing Stability
- Increase Collaborations with Mainstream Systems
- Prevent Homelessness for Families Most At Risk

Work To-Date & Oversight

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014

Strategic Planning

- Landscape Assessment
- Strategic Plan
- Implementation Plan

Planning Workgroup: Providers and Funders

Coordinated Entry

- Agency selection
- Design: process & tools
- Data System
- Launch
- Refining process
- Policy adjustments

System Realignment

- Community education/outreach, support and buy-in
- Ongoing: System analysis
- WFF: Capacity Building Grants

Summer Speaker Series

Fair Housing TA

- Rapid Re-Housing/ Employment Pilot
- Moving Home Academy
- Shelter Diversion

Implementation Advisory
Group (IAG):
Providers, Funders and
Mainstream Systems

IAG Workgroups:

- System Transformation Workgroup
- Funders/Planners Workgroup
- · Cohort One
- Coordinated Entry Workgroup
- Employment & Housing Workgroup

New FHI Advisory Group: Providers, Funders and Mainstream Systems

Data, Emerging Trends & Policy Direction

National

- Typologies of homeless families
- HEARTH Legislation
- HPRP-Rapid Re-Housing

Local

- Coordinated Entry Data: Families & System Level
- Performance Improvement Calculator
- Westat Evaluation(WFF Tri-County Initiative)

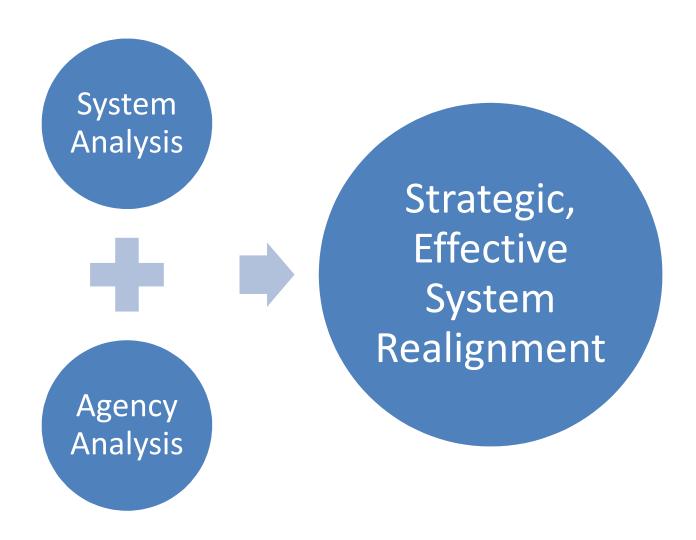
Redesign

- Confirms systems transformation is on the right track
- Focus on rapid rehousing and right-sizing our homeless interventions

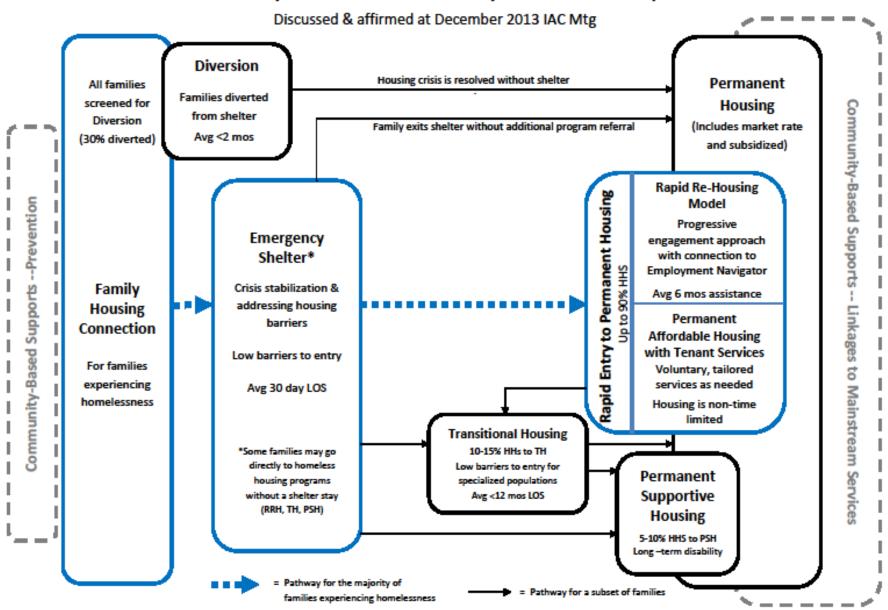
System Realignment: Why Right Size?

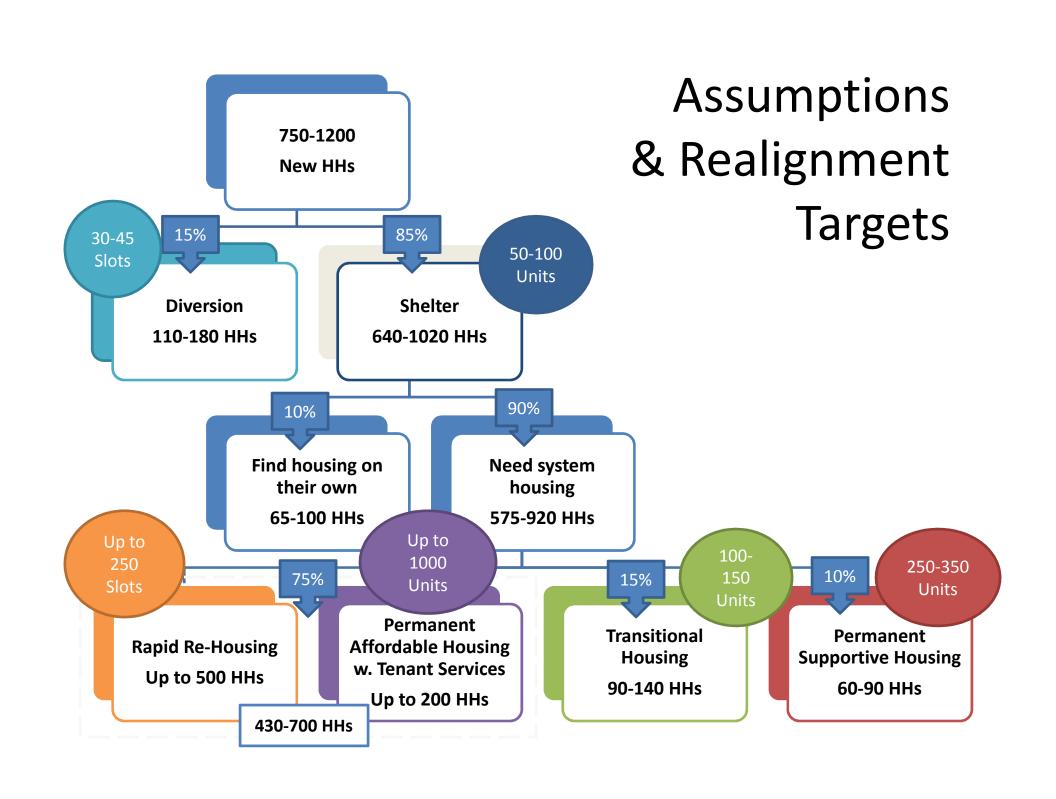
- Remain responsive to emerging needs for housing and services in our community
- Strengthen performance in our Continuum
 - Reduce length of time families spend homeless
 - Increase exits to permanent housing
 - Reduce returns to homelessness
 - Shift investments to most cost effective solutions matched to families' needs
 - → Rare, Brief and One Time
 - → Strategically align with HEARTH Goals

How Do We Get There?



New Family Homelessness System Assumptions





System Realignment Targets



As noted in the Guiding Principles, these realignment efforts will be an iterative, 'learning' process, with adjustments made as necessary. The above targets may be refined based on this "learn as we go" philosophy.

^{*} Current capacity- estimates based on 2013 CEH System Map & HMIS Data.

^{**}Transitional housing programs primarily realign to non-time limited projects.

Impacts on Targets

- ☐ What funding will allow
- Actual costs of each intervention
- ☐ Regional lens based on existing and needed interventions
- ⇒ We don't have a crystal ball
- ⇒ We will likely need to make adjustments/refine plan
- Continuous learning & ongoing evaluation
 - Performance, RRH model, culturally specific needs & special subpopulations, emerging data from national efforts, etc.

Realignment Strategy

Phase 1

Existing shelter - aligns to support rapid exit to permanent housing

Transitional housing for specialized populations -- interim adjustments to align with refined TH model

First group of transitional housing programs realign to alternate interventions

Remaining transitional housing programs - interim adjustments to align with refined TH model

Transitional rental assistance - aligns to rapid re-housing model

Ongoing evaluation of Rapid Re-Housing Pilot

Phase 2

Existing shelter - adjustments to support rapid exit to permanent housing

Ongoing evaluation and adjustments to system targets and models

Transitional housing for specialized populations - continue program refinement

Remaining (non-specialized) transitional housing programs realign to alternate interventions

Phase 3

Evaluate emergency shelter capacity and refine system targets

Ongoing evaluation and adjustments to system targets and refined models

Remaining programs realign to support system goals

Ongoing support to sustain changes

Current FHI Work Plan:

✓ Rapid Re-Housing & Employment Navigation Pilot



- ✓ Shelter Diversion
- ✓ System realignment of time-limited housing
- ✓ Coordinated entry -analysis and refinement
- ✓ System Innovation Grants (WFF-Building Changes)

Next Steps

- Ongoing stakeholder communication
- Data, data, data (performance benchmarks, etc.)
- Technical Support & Peer Learning
- Explore/develop: targeted prevention strategies and connections to mainstream systems